

EXPAND – A – PLATTER / TRAY

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

An expandable platter/tray that holds dishes, trays, etc. The extendable structure [comprises] comprising a pair of box-type frames [a frame within a frame,] with each frame having a pair of parallel rails or tracks. The tracks of the [An] inner frame [tracks] slide [slides] within the tracks of the outer frame [frame's tracks]. Thus the length of the entire structure can be fixed by inserting holding wires vertically through the holes in the tracks thereby preventing the tracks from moving relative to one another. All of the tracks have precisely spaced holes so that wires, which are in general shape of a "U", [straddles] straddle both sides of the tracks and [is] are inserted into the holes of the outer tracks and/or holes of the inner and outer tracks. The "U" shaped wires can hold the platters, plates, dishes, etc. from leaning on each other in the lengthwise direction, as well as fixing the movement of the frames relative to each other. The tracks are supported by legs. The bottom of the legs of the frames rest on glides [themselves] that glide in the direction perpendicular to the tracks. The tracks on which the glides rest are attached to the bottom of a cabinet. Thus the entire platter/tray structure, whose length has been fixed by the wires, is also free to glide outwards so that the platter tray can easily be seen and handled before being re-glided back into the cabinet. The invention allows an expandable platter tray to expand to within any size cabinet.